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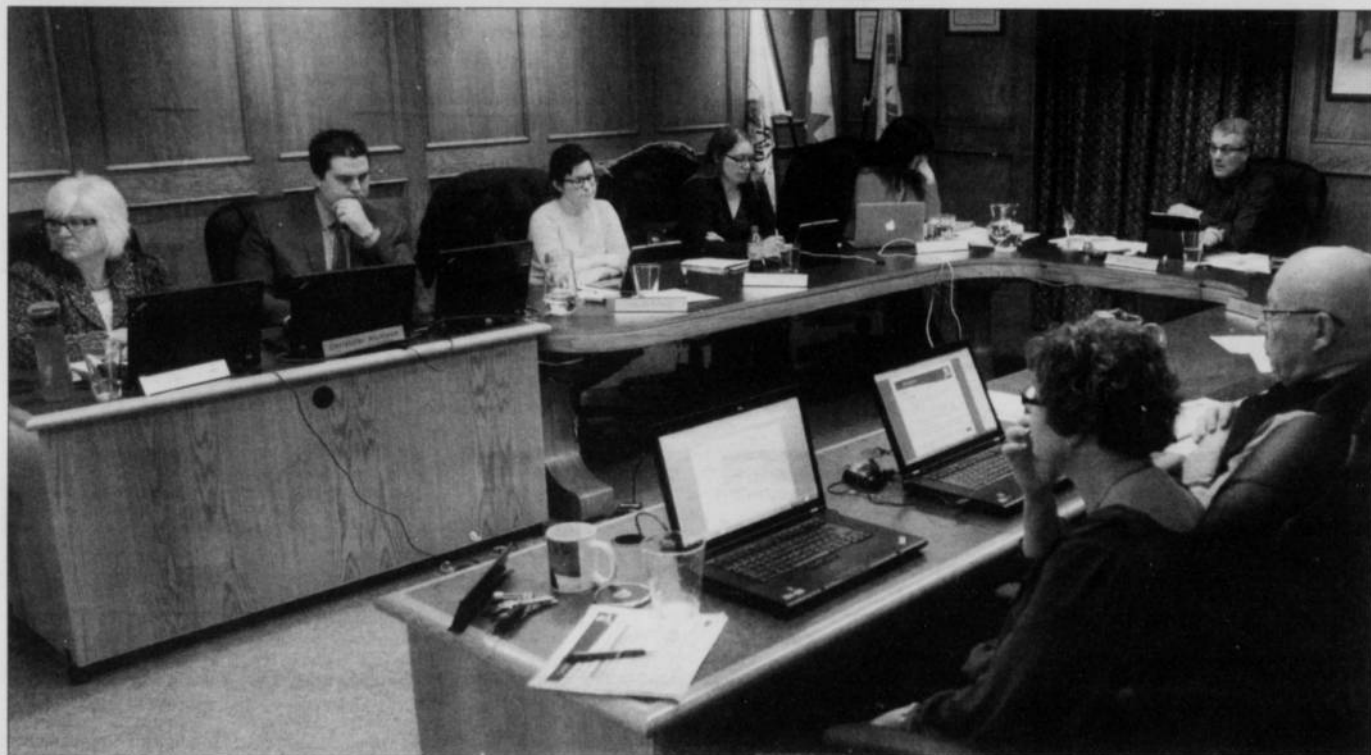
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Didsbury town council takes part in a preliminary budget discussion and open house in the town's council chambers on Jan. 10.

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Council discusses 2014 budget

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

After the Town of Didsbury's budget open house and discussion, council is considering a residential tax increase of 1.5 to 2.5 per cent, and a slightly higher tax increase for non-residential properties, according to officials.

Town councillors were in a meeting most of the day last Friday, Jan. 10, hearing from department heads and CFO Nita Bartholow as to which budget items have changed, why they have changed, as well as an overview of each department's budgets.

CAO Roy Brown said after the meeting, it was found that the budget would either have to be trimmed, or taxes increased.

"Council requested that administration go back and trim the budget some more," said Brown, noting that the town's administration will soon be giving councillors a few options to choose from.

Derek Sutherland, community peace officer, talked to council during the open house regarding successes and

challenges bylaw officers faced in 2013, and talked about goals for 2014.

He would like to see: a three-hour patrol-per-shift average maintained and the purchase of a new animal control truck.

During his presentation, he noted the current animal control truck is having transmission issues and may need replacement this year, rather than 2015, as was originally planned.

The money for purchase would come out of reserves, of which there is \$36,800 currently earmarked for municipal enforcement vehicles.

Sutherland also presented the fire services budget, which listed goals of: training modification to allow recruits to start working sooner after training; increasing training opportunities for existing members; starting construction of the new firehall this year; and the purchase of a tender and Rapid Attack Vehicle.

The draft protective services budget listed expenses at \$1,277,943, which is \$89,548 higher than 2013, mostly due to replacement of various pieces of equipment.

Town council's budget, which was presented by CFO Nita Bartholow, included a zero per cent increase in salaries and wages and a decrease in both computer expenses and services of just under \$13,000, attributed to the fact that council purchased iPads last year, which are working well and will not need replacement this year.

Despite no increase in wages, there is a 2.1 per cent increase for cost of living, as per Policy 8001.

Council's public relations budget was decreased by \$5,000 and the promotional request budget was cut by \$2,000. Altogether, council's total expenses will be \$214,359, which is about \$16,000 less than in 2013.

Bartholow also presented the draft Didsbury Municipal Library budget, which has gained an increase in budget steadily from 2007 – just over \$100,000 – to this year, which will be just under \$180,000.

Roy Brown explained that the increase in funding provided to the library from the town is threefold: the increased funding has allowed more and longer hours of opera-

tion, increased staff payment and an increase in programming.

Mountain View Seniors' Housing (MVSH) requisitions also increased from last year, from \$39,000 to \$76,000 – an increase of \$37,000.

Bartholow noted that "council does have some control over the library (budget), but council does not have any choice to pay the requisition for (MVSH). "There is absolutely nothing council can do about it."

Brown said, "going through (MVSH) statements line over line, council feels there's a definite need to have a review of how the operation is being funded and how it should move forward."

He noted the organization is moving forward with a new facility in Sundre, which the increase is helping pay for, but "the question is whether we can afford it."

Maxine Moreau, manager of financial services, presented the budget for her department, noting a major expense for the coming year will be the replacement of two rooftop furnaces for the town office.

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Telus snafu causes problems for business

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

Around 2,400 Telus customers lost phone and Internet service, and some even lost cell service, after a fibre optic box was damaged about 17 kilometres south of town on Thursday, Jan. 9, according to officials.

A snow removal machine was clearing rural routes and inadvertently hit the box, disrupting service to Didsbury, Sundre and Three Hills, says Chris Gerritsen, spokesperson for Telus.

"So at about 3:30 p.m. we got alarms that service was being affected in Didsbury and some of

the surrounding area," said Gerritsen, noting that technicians were sent out right away to find the location where the damage occurred.

Through a diagnostic process, Telus staff tracked down the break, and spent the next few hours trying to reconnect the thin, hair-like fibres to the system.

Although the repairs were completed just before 8 p.m., AG Foods manager Greg Poirier said his store did not have debit service restored until after 10 o'clock that evening.

"We lost all our debit machines, our phone system was down. The dial tone was there but

we couldn't dial out - everything was ringing busy - and nobody could dial in," said Poirier.

Staff couldn't run through debit transac-

seven o'clock time frame that night; that's our busiest time," he said.

"We were lined right up and the customers were just walking out because

"There was nothing we could do and nothing they could do. It was just very frustrating."

GREG POIRIER
AG Foods manager

tions, but were able to complete some credit card transactions, he added.

"Some of them would work and some of them wouldn't work. I would say we probably lost 40 to 50 customers, just in that four o'clock to

they were upset. There was nothing we could do and nothing they could do. It was just very frustrating."

He noted that he was able to get in touch with Telus staff and was informed about the disruption in service, but

the delay between the disruption and when he found out what was going on did not give him or his staff enough time to put up signs to inform the customers. "I would say if something like that happens again, they should let all the businesses in town know right away, at least what is going on rather than us phoning them. They did (get a hold of us) but they were just slow at it."

Because so many people use debit cards, this disruption wreaked havoc in the monetary system alone, not to mention the loss of communication by phone and Internet.

Gerritsen said the dis-

ruption didn't affect all Telus customers in the area because of the various lines used, but the number of those affected was still high. "It's a big area. It was a large fibre optic cable and it's one of those things that it's just unfortunate it happened and was hit, but we were working as quickly as we could to get service restored."

Because of what fibre optic is, it took the specialized technicians a lot of patience to reconnect the lines while outside, at night, he added.

"It's one of those unfortunate things where we appreciate our customers' patience and understanding."

Calls for service down for 2013, say police

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

Crimes against persons dropped significantly and property crimes increased notably in a comparison of crime statistics in the region between the years of 2012 and 2013, according to police.

Sgt. Jeff Jacobson compiled the annual RCMP statistics recently, which cover the Didsbury RCMP Detachment's entire jurisdiction,

including: Didsbury, Carstairs and Cremona, as well as some portions of Mountain View County and the Municipal District of Bighorn.

There was a significant drop in persons crimes, including assaults, threats, harassments and sexual assaults, from 214 in 2012 to 150 in 2013, he said.

"I know last year, part of our Annual Performance Plan in 2013 was to focus on domestic abuse," said

Jacobson.

"Certainly, that might be playing into part of the numbers, and we've also had the increased patrols around bars in an effort to deter fights and that kind of stuff from going on."

Although mischief incidents were similar year over year, with 108 in 2012 and 103 in 2013, thefts and break-and-entering incidents increased significantly.

"Certainly a lot more property-related crimes,"

he said, noting 61 break and enters in 2013 versus 44 in 2012; 194 thefts under \$5,000, versus 164 in 2012; and 56 thefts over \$5,000, versus 42 in 2012.

"A lot of these crimes are preventable as well. We always send out the same message, but it's one that if people would listen to, it would save perhaps some headaches: lock your doors and remove your valuables from cars."

He also encouraged

the community at large to report suspicious people or activities.

"We love getting those reports and going out to find out what's going on."

There were 431 reportable motor vehicle collisions with three fatal collisions in 2012, and 439 collisions and six fatalities in 2013, he said.

"Kind of the trend we're seeing with these fatal collisions is a lot of them are single-vehicle collisions."

He added in many cases, the fatal incidents involved alcohol, speed and intersection-related infractions, or a combination of those factors.

"Certainly many of

these were very preventable and we want the motoring public to be doing so in a safe manner.

"That obviously means not consuming alcohol, not speeding, and ensuring that people are paying attention to stop signs and other traffic signs that are there for safety purposes."

Overall the number of traffic offense reports decreased, from 1,374 in 2012 to 1,175 in 2013.

Impaired driving charges dropped from 36 charges in 2012 to 21 charges in 2013, with roadside suspensions dropping even more, from 43 to 11.

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Rosebud Health Foundation will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2014 at the 5-0 Club (Didsbury) Beginning at 7:00 p.m.

NOTE: Members, for your consideration and approval, at the Annual General Meeting.

It is the intention of the Board of Directors of the Rosebud Health Foundation to propose a change to the Societies Act by-laws affecting Paragraph 7 of the existing by-laws of the Society.

Guest Speaker Mr. Greer Black, Chief Executive Officer, will be in attendance to give an update on the new Bethany Care Centre.

NOTE: Anyone interested in sitting on the Rosebud Health Foundation Board, please attend as Election of Officers will take place.

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Hit and run

One man is facing hit-and-run charges after proceeding through the intersection of 19 Street and 15 Avenue, crossing the latter, and colliding with a chain-link fence on the other side, say police.

Cpl. Warren Wright said the event, which occurred Jan. 3 at about 9:45 p.m. was reported by someone who witnessed the collision.

"Members attended, and by the time they got there, the driver had already made it back to a residence," said Wright.

"The truck was seized for a hit and run," he added, noting that debris at the scene matched

Police briefs

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

perfectly to the damage found on the truck.

"The driver and registered owner, from Airdrie, is a 31-year-old man, and is charged with failing to remain at the scene and driving carelessly," he said, noting that the man is slated to appear in Didsbury court on March 7.

Rise in attempted frauds

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

There has been a very notable increase in attempted frauds in the area recently, and police are warning the public to be on the alert.

Cpl. Clint Gulash said he's seen reports of a "huge spike in attempted frauds," specifically the grandson or granddaughter fraud.

This fraud is where a culprit will call a random number and greet whoever answers. Generally, the receiver of the call will voluntarily guess the name of the caller, as is a social norm, and the culprit will falsely confirm that they are the person who was named.

Once the supposed family connection has been established, the culprit will then continue to say that he or she is in need of money, because they are in jail, or are stranded in a foreign

country, he said.

The request is made for money, and an uninformed victim may not even have a second thought about helping out somebody who they believe is a family member, he added.

The other scam Gulash has had reports of is a pop-up message stating that a computer has a virus which needs removal. The removal will be done for a fee, and the method of payment is listed on the pop-up.

The computer may need actual virus removal by a professional at that point, but if people decide to give their credit card information out through the pop-up or virus, their information will likely be compromised.

"We just wanted to bring everyone's attention to these, because it has ramped up and hopefully everyone can recognize them when they're coming in."

Fuel theft

About 2,000 litres of marked diesel was stolen from a rural property on Twp. Rd. 310 and Rge. Rd. 25, late last week, said Wright.

At about 8 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 9, police received a report of the theft, he said.

The fuel was taken from the tanks of some construction equipment that was sitting on the property, he noted.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, January 28 at 7:00 pm.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING: Tuesday, January 14 at 7:00 pm.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION: Wednesday, February 12 - at 4:30 pm.
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20th Didsbury Farm and Ranch Bonspiel

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

The 20th annual Didsbury Farm and Ranch Bonspiel was a success once again, with 40 teams playing each other in the weeklong spiel, which ran from Monday to Saturday last week.

Greg Reese, one of the bonspiel committee members, said "I think everybody had a pile of fun, and we look forward to having it again next year."

He added that the weather was great for the entire week, something to be thankful for, especially when many competitors drive from up to an hour away to come out and play.

"It was nice and mild, and we didn't have to worry about people travelling and getting in trouble with car wrecks, which is always nice."

Because it was the 20th anniversary of the bonspiel, sponsors came out in full force, donating prizes for attendees, with one company even paying the competitors' entry fees.

"In the 24 years that I've been curling, I've never been in a bonspiel where I didn't have to pay. Breakfast and lunch, and a steak supper one night were all sponsored."

He noted that the sponsorships really helped them run a good tournament, and the committed players and organizers came together to really make it a success.

"I think it was fitting. The A final actually went into an extra end and came down the final rock," he said.

"And that's what you hope for when you're in an A final. Even though it was hard for that other team to lose, they could hold their heads high because they made the guy throw his last rock to win the game, so it was good to see two teams that battled that hard to be in the finals."

The competition is always fierce at the event, and he said it's also a great community event for farmers, ranchers and business people who don't often get to socialize with each other.

Also, the bonspiel works differently than usual spiels, in that farmers can sign up either individually or as a team, and then a business person in town is randomly selected for each team.

Reese noted that some people will come as individuals and be put onto a team, which works well for people who may not know other curlers in the area.

"I remember one year, a guy actually curled with someone from the Ford dealership and bought a brand new truck the following week," he said.

"It's kind of neat what comes out of it. Even with my brother and I, we've had customers come out of it. And it's not only that they're customers, they become friends too."

It's not about winning or losing, so much as being about just getting together and having a good time, with farmers exchanging stories from the past year and talking about the year to come.

Reese has been curling at the event with his brother and father for many years, and he said it's been great to be part of the event for so long.

"It's always been one of those really special things to us as a family. We farm as a family, curl as a family, and I think that's pretty special to be able to do that even today."

The prizes for competitors included gift certificates, tools, small appliances, and other items, he said, adding that there were about 10 to 12 prizes raffled off during the wrap-up banquet on Saturday evening.

"But everybody for the most part, they had an amazing, good time, and everybody always says they like the Didsbury bonspiel - it's one of their favourites because it's so friendly."

"It's a lot of work but at the end of it, when it's all said and done, it's neat to see it be such a success and you look forward to doing it again another year and supporting other towns and being part of their farmers' bonspiels."

The results are:

A Event winners - Steve Winter, Ken Weseen, Devin Weseen and Brad McDermid.

B Event winners - Al Graham, Elaine Graham, Steve Fillmore and Luke Wrubleski.

C Event winners - Rick Phillips Sr., Bruce Kemmere, Al Crawford and Jim Wilson.

D Event winners - Carson Schultz, Dave Brittain, Lin Cochrane and Keith Klinck.



Noel West/MVP Staff

THIS PAGE: TOP: Harold Hunter, left, and Barry Reese sweep a rock during the Didsbury Farmers Bonspiel at the Didsbury Curling Club on Jan. 10. MIDDLE: Tom Schultz, left, and Sharon Fulkert get ready to sweep as Brent Popchapsky throws a rock. BOTTOM: Rod Snyder helps a teammate line up a shot.

OPPOSITE PAGE: TOP: Ford Ellis throws a rock down the ice. BOTTOM LEFT: Tom Schultz, left, and Sharon Fulkert stand ready to sweep a rock. BOTTOM RIGHT: Photo submitted - Steve Winter, Ken Weseen, Devin Weseen and Brad McDermid, winners of the A Event, posed for a photo during the awards banquet on Saturday night.

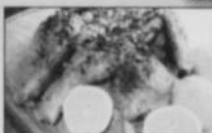
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BUDGET

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"That \$12,000 each for the units and a general \$5,000 in there for general work," explained Moreau.

She also explained that although about half of residents receive their utility bills by email, the increase in postage fees by Canada Post will notably increase the cost of mailing out bills - about 85 cents per item when sent in bulk.

That department will cost the town \$620,302 after a revenue of \$130,400, with a total cost of \$139,770 per cent less than last year.

Nicole Aasen, manager of community services, talked to council regarding community services and recreation.

One of the major challenges in the next four years will be the replacement

of aging infrastructure at the memorial complex.

"Aging infrastructure remains an issue - grant funds are hard to come by as far as improvements," said Aasen. "They're just not eligible for the lottery funds they used to be."

The community services budget shows an expected revenue of just under \$400,000, with \$574,457 in expenses - \$73,387 more than last year.

She attributed the increase in expenses to increased staffing for the Didsbury Out of School Care Association (DOSCA), and a small increase to budgets for community events.

Greg Skotheim, manager of public works, said his department is needing money for upgrades for skid-steers, a snow bucket for a skid-steer, as well as money to save up for another grader

and to potentially upgrade a truck.

He asked council to maintain his current budget so he can do all he has planned.

A total of \$94,000 is allotted for a truck and a skid-steer for 2014, and the department will cost \$1,230,755 after revenues, \$53,215 less than last year.

Bartholow touched on human resources, as she is recommending salary grid changes to three positions, based on the 2013 Alberta Municipal Compensation and Salary (AMSC) Salary and Compensation Review.

She recommended an increase to the wages of the deputy CAO, manager of financial services, and manager of community services.

She also covered the utility services of the town, which showed no deficit or surplus of funds, as all surpluses are immediately put into the general

reserves.

As far as total capital spending, the town spends \$454 less per resident on average than area municipalities, including Olds, Carstairs and Sundre.

The town is \$7,086,741 in debt for 2014, with a debt limit of \$14,007,769, with \$1,374 debt per capita. This does not include the money that will be spent on the new firehall, but does include Shantz Crossing.

The town will be paying \$385,447 in interest and \$701,639 towards the principal of the total debt in 2014, and assuming the current payment plan, the debt should be paid off by 2019 to 2021, said Bartholow.

The town also has allocated \$523,034 from reserves - which numbered \$2.24 million in September last year - to various projects, including sewer and water infrastructure fees.

POLICE

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"Part of this impact could be that we've had staffing challenges which have impacted our ability to be out there proactively searching for impaired drivers, but obviously we've still made an impact with that."

Part of the decrease could also be related to the provincial govern-

ment's new legislation on impaired driving, he noted. "That's brought a lot of awareness to the drinking and driving issue and the penalties that result from that, so hopefully that legislation is having an impact."

Liquor Act violations decreased, from 73 in 2012 to 47 in 2013, and fraud incidents increased from 54 to 62 in 2013.

Bylaw-related calls decreased notably from 129 to 91 in 2013, and drug charges and warnings were similar in number, with 31 in 2012 and 32 in 2013. Mental Health Act-related incidents increased slightly from 83 to 88 in 2013, and false alarm calls remained similar, with 202 in 2012 and 204 in 2013.

Lastly, criminal record

check requests were also similar in number, with 983 in 2012 and 982 in 2013. The total calls for service, which include all the above statistics, were down from 6,610 in 2012 to 6,225 in 2013.

"We've seen a decrease in that," said Jacobson. "Part of that is related to our different staffing levels in 2012 versus 2013," he said, noting that the

statistics will change slightly, as oftentimes incident reports and calls will come in for a previous year in the next year.

He used the example that "sometimes thefts will have occurred the prior year and nothing gets reported to us until after they go to do their insurance claim and they find out they need a police report."

Overall, he added, about 35 per cent of the calls for service in 2013 were for Didsbury; 25 per cent were for Mountain View County and its secondary highways (highways 580, 581 and 582); 17 per cent were for Carstairs; 16 per cent were along the main provincial highways (QEI and highways 2A and 22); and three per cent were for Cremona.

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Gebers

Gordon Leonard Gebers, better known as Gordie Gebers, passed away on December 22nd, 2013 at the Didsbury Hospital at the age of 75, after battling various illnesses.

Gordie was born February 16, 1938 in Calgary, Alberta to Art and Evelyn Gebers. He was the youngest in a family of five children.

Gordie married Fern McMann in 1959. They had two children, Valdene and Kenneth.

Gordie and Fern parted ways, and later on he married Kathy Chayeski. After she passed away, he met his partner Lucy Lee, who was with him for 18 years until his passing. Gordie was a farmer for many years, also owning a bulk fuel business in Calgary, as well as buying and selling vehicles. He lived in the Didsbury area his whole life, farming with his dad east of Didsbury until his son Ken came on board, at which time Gordie moved to town, but he still enjoyed helping Ken with the family farm. When Ken passed away, Gordie retired from farming.

Gordie loved hunting, a good story and a good joke, and very much enjoyed being with friends. He never missed going to the Auction Mart for socializing and buying the odd cow. He loved to travel to the States to visit family in Washington State and Minnesota. When he became so ill that he was housebound, he still loved to keep in touch with his friends, often chatting with them on the phone several times a day, catching up on the local news and events.

Gordie was a dedicated Lutheran. As a young man he belonged to the Youth Group, and continued to be involved over the years. Gordie was known for being a big guy with a big heart.

Gordie is survived by his daughter Valdene (Brent) Kendze and their two children Shianne and Dallas, and by his son Ken's boys Kyle and Justin, as well as great-grandson Jaiden. He is also survived by Kathy's children and grandchildren, Lucy's son Brett, and her daughter in law Lorallynn. He is also lovingly remembered by numerous family and friends.

Gordie was predeceased by his parents Art and Evelyn Gebers, his second wife Kathy, and his beloved son Ken. He was also predeceased by all four of his siblings, Myron, Ivern, Duane and Arlene, as well as his nephew Ralph Gebers. He was also predeceased by Lucy's son Rob.

Memorial Service will be held at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Didsbury on January 18th at 2:00 pm. Reverend Mohs officiating. Lunch to follow. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Westlen School Breakfast Program. Any donations can either be dropped off at Front Porch Realty in Didsbury, or they can be made at the service.

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SMITH



On January 2, 2014 Stanley George Smith of Carstairs, passed away peacefully surrounded by family at the Didsbury Hospital Unit 4 at the age of 90 years. Predeceased by his wife, Lois, and his infant daughter, Joan, he leaves to remember him, his children Ken (Linda), Bev (Brian), Janice (Jon), Murray (Gabriela), Jim (Gwen) and Rob (Maria), along with 16 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. Stan will also be remembered by sister, Mildred (Len). He lived all his life on the family farm in the Carstairs area. At a young age, Stanley excelled at sports and was renowned in baseball and hockey in Carstairs and surrounding area. (Smitty was a star.) His passion was cattle and farm life. He was also heavily involved with his kids and their activities, coaching baseball and hockey plus was a leader of the local 4-H club. Stan was a long time employee of the Mountain View Seed Cleaning Plant. After retirement, he was a big fan of his grandchildren's activities. Thank you does not seem to be enough to express our deepest gratitude for the amazing care and love from the staff at unit 4. You are all angels. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made directly to Carstairs Minor Hockey. There will be a private family graveside service. Please join us in celebrating Stan's life at a memorial reception at the Carstairs Community Hall on Saturday, January 25th at 1:30 to 4:00.

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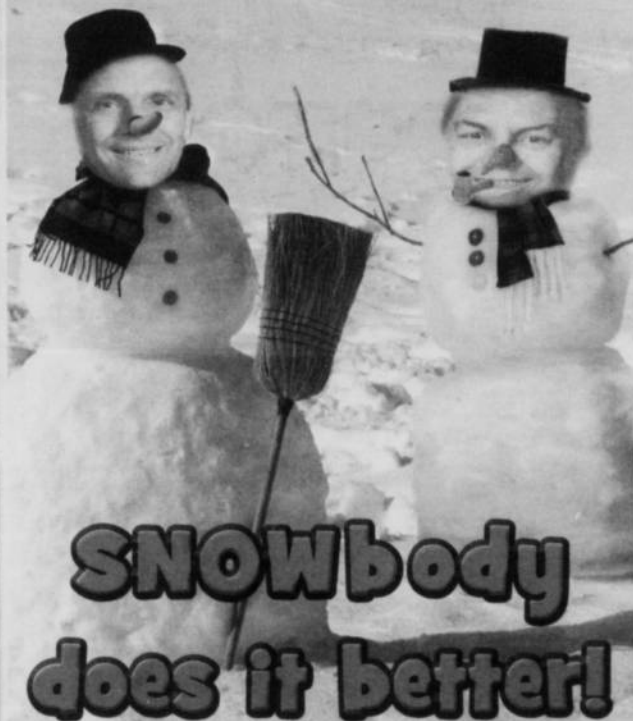
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